Wednesday, April 6, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard President of Colombia.

Senate continued on civil rights bill.

House debated bill relating to military procurement and retired officers.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7392-7400

Bills Introduced: 9 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3337-3345; and S. Res. 301.

Pages 7394-7395, 7451

Bills Referred: 24 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 7390-7391

Colombian President: Senate met jointly with House to hear an address by President Alberto Lleras-Camargo, of the Republic of Colombia.

Pages 7408, 7458-7460

Civil Rights: Senate continued its consideration of H.R. 8601, to enforce constitutional rights, disposing of three amendments as follows:

Adopted: By 72 yeas to 16 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Kuchel motion to table Ervin amendment to limit the voting rights provisions of the bill to congressional elections; by 68 yeas to 18 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Dirksen motion to table Johnston (South Carolina) amendment to limit the voting rights provisions of the bill to general elections, rather than including special and primary elections; by 62 yeas to 32 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Dirksen motion to table Carroll amendment allowing waiver of specified requirements to be met by applicant for order declaring him qualified to vote if court finds such requirements to be vain, futile, or of no useful purpose. Adoption of these motions to table in effect rejected these amendments.

Pending at recess was Ellender amendment to eliminate title VI, relating to voting referees, on which the following unanimous-consent agreement was entered: On April 7, during further consideration of Ellender amendment, debate thereon shall be limited to 1 hour, beginning at 10 a.m., to be equally divided and controlled by majority and minority leaders, and at 11 a.m. Senate will vote on motion to be offered by Senator Dirksen to table Ellender amendment.

Pages 7402-7414, 7417-7444, 7448-7451

Treaties Received: Senate received the following two treaties, which were referred to Committee on Foreign Relations:

Treaty of Friendship and Commerce Between U.S. and Pakistan, together with protocol, signed at Wash-

ington on November 12, 1959 (Ex. F, 86th Cong., 2d sess.); and

Convention of Establishment Between U.S. and France, together with protocol and joint declaration relating thereto, signed at Paris on November 25, 1959 (Ex. G, 86th Cong., 2d sess.).

Pages 7397-7398

Nomination: Nomination of Malcolm M. Willey, of Minnesota, to be member of National Science Board, National Science Foundation, was received, along with numerous Navy nominations.

Pages 7451-7457

Recess: Recessed at 9:15 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions: Agreed to conclude wheat hearings on April 20 and 21; ordered favorably reported H.R. 4781, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to provide that its loan provisions shall be applicable to certain other projects (with amendments), and S. 2772, a private bill; and approved nine watershed projects in Mississippi, Tennessee, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, and Virginia.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1961 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony as follows: On Arkansas Basin—Senators Fulbright, Schoeppel, Kerr, McClellan, and Monroney, and Representatives Trimble and Alford; projects in the First Congressional District of California—Representative Clem Miller; and on Licking River Survey—Representative Levering.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISCLOSURE OF FINANCE CHARGES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization continued its hearings on S. 2755, to require the disclosure of finance charges in connection with extensions of credit, hearing testimony from Robert Morgan, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks; Paul Selby, National Consumer Finance Association; Dr. Albert Haring, National Retail Furniture Association; and William Cheyney, National Foundation for Consumer Credit.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session and discussed S. 3058, Mutual Security Act of 1960, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluding its hearings on S. 2560, to create the National Capital Airports Corporation, the Aviation Subcommittee heard testimony from Simmons B. Savage, Jr., Associate Director, Accounting and Auditing Policy Staff, GAO, accompanied by several associates; and J. D. Durand, secretary and assistant general counsel, Air Transport Association.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PROBLEMS OF THE AGED

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on health problems of the aged, Subcommittee on Problems of the Aged and Aging received testimony from Senator Williams, of New Jersey; Secretary Arthur S. Flemming, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; and James Carey, president, Inter-

national Union of Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers, AFL-CIO.

Hearings continue on Monday, April 11.

DEFENSE PROCUREMENT

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Procurement continued its hearings on the use of negotiation and sole-source procurement by the Department of Defense, with further testimony from Maj. Gen. W. A. Davis, Director, Procurement and Production, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command, accompanied by several members of the staff of his command. Other witnesses testifying were Col. R. V. Kirkland, Director, Procurement and Production, Rome Air Materiel Area, Griffiths AFB, New York, accompanied by his associates; Mrs. Barbara Duckro, contract negotiator, Dayton Air Force Depot; and the following witnesses from the Army Ordnance Corps: Brig. Gen. John A. Barclay, deputy commanding general, and Jeff D. Darwin, small business specialist, both of the AOMC; Lt. Col. Robert L. Crossman and Paul Schaeppi, both of the Industrial Division, ARGMA; and Col. J. E. Johnstone, contracting officer, Detroit Ordnance District.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 45 public bills, H.R. 11584-11628; 15 private bills, H.R. 11629-11643; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 674-678, H. Con. Res. 655, and H. Res. 497, were introduced.

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Three private bills, H.R. 9071, 9752, and 11388 (H.

Repts. 1453-1455, respectively);

H. Res. 497, providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on H.R. 10474, to authorize the construction of modern naval vessels (H. Rept. 1456);

H.R. 9983, to extend for 2 years the period for which payments in lieu of taxes may be made with respect to certain real property transferred by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and its subsidiaries to other Government departments (H. Rept. 1457);

S. 899, relating to discontinuance of certain reports

required by law, amended (H. Rept. 1458);

S.J. Res. 61, relating to manufacture and sale of a Civil War Centennial Medal, amended (H. Rept. 1459); and

H.J. Res. 598, to extend the time for filing of the final report of the Lincoln Sesquicentennial Commission (H. Rept. 1460).

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Agriculture: Received and read a communication from the chairman of the Committee on Agriculture notifying the House of committee approval of certain watershed projects in Mississippi, Nebraska, New York, North Dakota, and Tennessee. The communication was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Pages 7457-7458

Colombian President: President Alberto Lleras-Camargo, of the Republic of Colombia, addressed a joint meeting of the House and Senate. He was escorted to and from the House Chamber by a committee composed of Senators Hennings, Green, Dirksen, and Wiley; and Representatives McCormack, Halleck, Morgan, and Chiperfield.

Second Supplemental Appropriation: By a voice vote the House adopted the conference report on H.R. 10743, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1960, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Fourteen amendments were reported in disagreement and on which the House took the following actions:

Receded and concurred in Senate amendments Nos. 6, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 45.

Receded and concurred with amendments to Senate amendments Nos. 4, 8, 15, 19, and 40.

Pages 7460-7462

Subcommittee To Sit: Subcommittee No. 5 of the Committee on the Judiciary was given permission to sit during the sessions of the House on Wednesday and Thursday.

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Foreign Tax Treatment: By a voice vote the House suspended the rules and passed H.R. 10087, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to permit taxpayers to elect an overall limitation of the foreign tax credit, with an amendment that supplied new text.

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Military Procurement—Retired Officers: By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 487, the open rule providing for 3 hours of general debate on H.R. 10959, relating to the employment of retired commissioned officers by contractors of the Department of Defense and the Armed Forces. After consuming 42 minutes of the time allotted for debate the House deferred further consideration of the legislation to Thursday.

Pages 7463-7474

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: Continued executive consideration of H.R. 7628, the Consolidated Farmers Home Administration Act. The committee will continue in executive session on this bill Thursday, April 7.

MILITARY RETIREMENT PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings on H.R. 11318, regarding equalization of retired pay for military personnel. Testimony was heard from Representative Baldwin; Charles C. Finucane, Assistant Secretary of Defense; Defense Department witnesses accompanying Mr. Finucane; and various public witnesses. The committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded hearings on H.R. 8916 and 8928, to provide for a simpler method of determining assessments under the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. Heard a representative of the New York Clearing House; and public witnesses.

LIBRARY SERVICES ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed hearings on H.R. 9812, and related bills, to extend the Library Services Act. Testimony was presented by Representatives Bailey, Conte, and Hechler; a legislative aid on behalf of Representative Kelly; and various public witnesses. Hearings will continue Thursday, April 7.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

S. 899, to provide for the discontinuance of certain

reports now required by law; and

H.R. 9983, to extend for 2 years the period for which payments in lieu of taxes may be made with respect to

certain real property transferred by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and its subsidiaries to other Government departments.

INDIANS-HAWAII

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported favorably to the House the following bills:

H.R. 1150 (amended), to authorize the partition or sale of inherited interests in trust and restricted allotted lands and restricted purchased allotted lands in the State of Minnesota;

H.R. 5870 (amended), to place in trust status certain lands on the Wind River Indian Reservation in Wyoming:

H.R. 9028 (amended), to provide that certain funds shall be paid to the Kickapoo Tribal Council of Oklahoma;

H.R. 10443 (amended, a clean bill to be introduced and reported), to amend certain laws of the U.S. in light of the admission of Hawaii into the Union;

S. 2804, to donate to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Tribe, L'Anse Reservation of Michigan, a certain tract of Federal land with improvements located thereon; and

S. 2877, to authorize the reconveyance of tribally owned lands by the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe of the State of Washington to the original allottees, their heirs, devisees, or assigns.

COLOR ADDITIVES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held a scientific panel discussion on color additives. The committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COMMUTER PROBLEMS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Aeronautics held a hearing on H.R. 9742, and related bills, on commuter problems and heard testimony from Kenneth Tuggle, Commissioner, Interstate Commerce Commission, and various public witnesses. Hearings continue Thursday, April 7.

ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held a hearing on H.R. 4082, to confer jurisdiction upon the Court of Claims to hear, determine, and render judgment upon the claims for basic and overtime compensation of employees of the Alaska Road Commission and heard Representative Rivers of Alaska testify on the bill.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 held hearings on H.J. Res. 529, amending the Constitution by granting representation in the House of Representatives and in the electoral college to the District of Columbia. Heard testimony given by Representatives Broyhill, Celler, and Multer; and Senators Keating and Morse. Hearings continue Thursday, April 7, on the same resolution.

VETERANS' PREFERENCE ACT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on H.R. 1907 in executive session ordered reported to the full committee H.R. 1907, to amend Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to define "mothers" for purpose of such act. Barbara B. Gunderson, Civil Service Commission, had presented testimony on the bill in a public hearing earlier.

MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on H.R. 9889 met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H.R. 9889, to eliminate the mandatory requirements for penalty charges on short-paid mail.

HIGHWAYS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session and ordered reported to the House H.R. 10495, to authorize appropriations for the fiscal years 1962 and 1963 for the construction of certain highways in accordance with title 23 of the U.S. Code. The committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATIONAL HOUSING ACT

Committee on Rules: Completed hearings but took no final action on H.R. 10213, to amend the National Housing Act. Testimony on granting of a rule was presented by Representatives Widnall and Derwinski.

NAVAL VESSELS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, with I hour debate, on H.R. 10474, to authorize the construction of modern naval vessels. Testimony on granting of the rule was presented by Representative Vinson.

VETERANS' CLAIMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Special subcommittee held a hearing on pending judicial review of veterans'

claims and heard representatives of Disabled American Veterans and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Hearings will continue Thursday, April 7.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued in executive session on the proposed amendments to the Social Security Act. The committee will continue in executive session on this matter Thursday, April 7.

DAIRY INDUSTRY

Select Committee on Small Business: Heard various public witnesses on problems in the dairy industry. Hearings continue Thursday, April 7.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC AUTHORIZATIONS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Legislation continued its hearings on S. 3084 and H.R. 10656, fiscal 1961 authorizations for the Atomic Energy Commission, hearing testimony in a morning session from the following witnesses on design studies on reactor for nuclear tanker: John F. Floberg, Commissioner, Richard Godwin, Assistant Director for Maritime Reactors, and Col. D. G. Williams, Assistant Director for Army Reactors, all of the AEC; and John J. Allen, Jr., Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation.

In an afternoon session, subcommittee heard witnesses on Stanford accelerator and high-energy physics projects from Dr. John Williams, Commissioner, and Dr. Paul McDaniel, Acting Head, Division of Research, both of the AEC; and Dr. Edward Ginzton, representing Stanford University.

Hearings continue tomorrow afternoon.

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House passed bill relating to military procurement and employment of retired officers.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7496-7536

Bills Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3346-3354; S.J. Res. 184; and S. Res. 302.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2772, a private bill (S. Rept. 1237);

H.R. 4781, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to provide that its loan provisions shall be applicable to certain other projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 1238); and